

**Growing Differently** 

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Dear Reach Community Solar Farm Members

## Re: We Survived to Thrive in 2020 and now we want to grow more opportunities at Snakehall Farm

On behalf of all of us at The Prospects Trust I would like to thank Reach Community Solar Members for your much needed and most gratefully received charitable support through our most challenging of times in our 31<sup>st</sup> year. Reach solar your donation put the sunshine into our gloomy Covid-19 boggy days and we did indeed Survive to Thrive. We were lean, thrifty and our amazing staff team worked long days on strange rotas to keep the farm farming, our Co-workers (adults with additional needs) supported differently and we even managed to supply our Prospects Trust Unwrapped customers with fresh produce, bread flour and loo roll!

I am writing to you this year to ask you to consider supporting us again as we get back to our roots of growing people alongside our organic produce. Our temporary structures, site signage, portaloos, tool washing stations and handwashing stations will remain much longer than we envisaged back in April 2020. We are aware that our new way of working in smaller groups in face masks and keeping our Tilly Tractor distance (2m) is most likely to remain for the considerable future ensuring we keep our Co-workers safe. We are asking for a donation towards a sturdier structure on site to create an all year around space for one of our (now many) Co-worker zones. This space would be multifunctional; a space to congregate at break times, and a much-needed workspace for one of our Co-worker Zones, something that will withstand the turbulent seasons that batter Snakehall Farm and be a longer term facility to aid our growth of our charity and the Co-workers we work alongside.

I would be happy to arrange a farm tour to show a member of Reach Solar just how we grow differently at Snakehall Farm should you wish to find out more about our plans and the people we support.

Once again thank you for your support and we hope that you will consider our request again this year.

Yours sincerely

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